MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): May I know the area of the cardamom cultivation?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I claim notice.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): May I know whether there was any representation from the cultivators to open cartable roads?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I have no information.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): May I know how cardamom is transported to outside markets?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I am not a cardamom cultivator.

Nadars in Government service.

247. *MR. S. THIRAVIAM NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the number of Hindu Nadars occupying the following posts:—

(i) Sirkar Vakil;
(ii) Munsiff;
(iii) Second Class Magistrate;
(iv) First Class Magistrate;
(v) Sub-Registrar;
(vi) District Registrar;
(vii) Police Inspector;
(viii) Excise Inspector; and
(ix) Assistant Inspector (Education Department)?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Nil, except one Police Inspector.

Bus service on the Quilon-Alleppey Road.

248. *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the present Chief Engineer has at any time issued any prohibitory order or communicated the same to the Traffic Superintendent of Police, that one-ton and one and a half ton buses should not be allowed to ply for hire on the Quilon-Alleppey Road;

(*b*) whether the Traffic Superintendent of Police had, on the basis of the prohibitory order, cancelled the permits of the one-ton, and one and a half ton buses that were plying for hire on the Quilon-Alleppey Road;

(*c*) whether the cancellation of the permits of such buses has been subsequently cancelled and, if so, why;

(*d*) the total number of buses that had to stop plying for hire on the Quilon-Alleppey Road as the result of the cancellation of their permits by virtue of the Chief Engineer's prohibitory order; and

(*e*) the period during which these buses had no service as the result of the cancellation of their permits by virtue of the Chief Engineer's prohibitory order?

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